

26 September 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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[redacted]
Compartmentation Security Staff/CSG

FROM:

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[redacted]
Chief, Community Support Group

SUBJECT:

Objectives October 1979 thru January 1980

1. Following our discussion on Monday 24 September as to the things we plan to undertake in the next 4-5 months, I jotted down the major objective, a few milestones and timetables. You said you were doing the same. On exchange of these papers let us get together 11 a.m. Monday, 1 October to work out a composite. Among the issues I see:

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a. [redacted] will assist [redacted] in picking up his role and duties as Chief of the Compartmentation Security Staff/CSG and assist [redacted] in learning the office routine as applies to the CS Staff.

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1. I propose that [redacted] do this by supplementing and filling in the details of activities and procedures briefed [redacted]

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2. Go to the Pentagon, meet with [redacted] attend a Compartmentation Subcommittee meeting.

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3. Thru [] and from our files become familiar with the charter, tasks and functioning of the Compartmentation Subcommittee. You might care to visit with members of the Subcommittee in their work place to glean appreciation of the scope and nature of their compartmentation duties.

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Time: Since this is a never ending learning process, I do not believe we should set any milestones or time on this. But I would suggest that you plan at least 1/2 day per week starting in 1 October to visit around.

b. Learn the APEX proposal as currently drafted and stay abreast of changes and progress. I have no doubt but what the issues raised in the APEX proposal need to be addressed by the NFIB. Whether the APEX proposal is accepted in its current form or in modified form, there will be education work for us. We will be called upon to respond knowledgeably and consistently to many questions from all levels of the Community.

1. To prepare for this role I think we agree that you both should read and become familiar with the APEX proposal. I will brief you on 25 or 26 Sept on the outcome of the NFIB meeting on APEX.

2. Brief the Compartmentation Subcommittee on the APEX proposal as modified or adopted by NFIB at its 25 Sept meeting. Do this in concert with the Chairman. It is possible that [] will already be fully cognizant of the NFIB position on APEX and he may elect to brief the Subcommittee himself. If so, pls attend that briefing and support [] as he desires. You may be able to help him by serving as a recorder of questions and as a conduit thru which he can get his group's questions answered.

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Time: Pls contact [] and be guided by his schedule of Compartmentation Subcommittee meetings.

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c. Become familiar with the security interface between the Intelligence Community and []

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so as to be prepared to provide security advice and guidance if and when we are called upon to do so. This is a passive approach. We are not to be intrusive or

disruptive of current procedures or current roles played by Intelligence Community members in connection with security matters. We agreed that information sources inside CIA would be explored first. The Comirex also appears to offer some prospects as a source of data. Once these two sources are explored then a request for info from the NRO through the Security Advisor may be appropriate. Take your lead in this from [redacted]

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Time: We discussed 90 days or by the first of the year 1980 as a realistic time for you to become familiar with this issue. Include mention of progress on this issue at our staff meetings. Start a folder on this item and consolidate data in that folder.

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d. I spoke of obtaining a clarification of roles between CSG and SSC/OS/CIA. [redacted] has provided me a paper on the way he sees our relationship (SECOM D-654, 24 Sept 79). I agree with his view that CSG subsume compartmented security policy responsibility along with the GS-15 slot that went with that role. As the security policy voice, the CSG would serve SSC as the sole conduit for their getting security policy issues before the Community e.g., if the SSC designs a new secrecy agreement for their use, that use would be limited to CIA. If they desired to present the secrecy agreement for Community consideration, they would do so through one or two mechanism.

1. Have the CIA Member of the Compartmentation Subcommittee raise the proposal at a Subcommittee meeting or to the Chairman of the Subcommittee.

2. Submit the concept to the CSG for transmission to the Compartmentation Subcommittee Chairman.

There will be some need, I think we agreed, for us to get together with SSC and brief them on our role and make suggestions how the shift in policy functions impacts on them.

I would propose that we do this with an exploratory meeting next week between [redacted] and me to be followed up with a meeting with you and SSC people the following week.

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Time: While I spoke of this as a priority item - it does not seem to have a great sense of urgency. As long as we remain alert to security policy proposals SSC may try to float without coordination with SECOM. On appearance we can simply suggest that the SSC might be better served by taking another tack.

e. We spoke of the need to formalize liaison roles between the COMIREX and the SECOM. Subsequently, in our discussion we spoke of expanding the formalization process to other committees of the DCI and NFIB. To do this:

1. I suggest a review of how you think we should relate to the COMIREX (lets start with this Committee). Do we want the CSG, as the staff arm of the SECOM to provide the liaison? Do we want to appear as a member of the COMIREX advisory element at each of their meetings or do we want to sit back and await invitation to attend when a security issue arises in COMIREX? As part of this review I suggest you read the COMIREX Charter, DCID 1/13 and the SIGINT Charter, DCID so as to get a feeling for the authorities this group have in the security area.

Time: Suggest we discuss this Monday, 1 October 1979.

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